

CLIMATE PROTECTION PROGRAM

Since 1998, 68 individuals, companies, and organizations from 12 countries have earned EPA's Climate Protection Award recognizing outstanding accomplishments in protecting the Earth's climate. This year's 20 award recipients demonstrated their commitment to the environment through their innovation in engineering, policy and marketing. Their leadership will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and inspire others to do their part. The winners are from Canada, Chile, Italy, Japan, and the United States.

Quotes

"Our message is that people of faith have a moral obligation to protect the earth. Those of us who believe strongly in taking responsibility for protecting the earth find it natural to campaign for climate protection. Climate sustains all humans, plants and animals. This award recognizes a powerful new aspect of faith-based environmental activism."

**Rev. Richard L. Killmer,
National Council of the Churches**

"The contribution Bob (Robert L.) Markle (U.S. Coast Guard) and I made to ozone layer protection was to lead the effort to simultaneously protect the climate. Some companies had proposed the use of PFCs for shipboard fire protection. PFCs can extinguish fires but they are among the most enduring manufactured chemicals with atmospheric lifetimes of up to 10,000 years. The fire protection community came together to declare PFCs unnecessary, resulting in a ban on the use on all ships operating under the international Safety of Life at Sea regulations."

**Bob (Robert T.) Wickham,
Delegate,
UN International Maritime Organization**

"It might be hard for people not working in semiconductors to imagine how the energy and enthusiasm of technical innovation can inspire environmental protection. STMicroelectronics is a member of the global team that has drastically reduced the emissions of PFCs and, as a company, is committed to the very aggressive goal of becoming 'climate neutral' by 2012. Today only a few companies share this ambitious goal, but soon companies will raise their sights on the ultimate goal: 'climate positive' and sustainable. Let's leave the world a little better than when we found it."

**Dr. Fabio R. Borri,
Environment Strategies Corporate Director,
STMicroelectronics**

“The Aluminum Association and its members are proud of our voluntary partnership with EPA. It was the right thing to do and it has resulted in more than a 40 percent PFC emission reduction over the past decade. We are committed to further reductions because we and our 145,000 employees want to leave the earth a better place for our children.”

**Brian W. Sturgell,
Executive Vice President,
Alcan Inc.**